

WELCOME

Richmond Highway – Telegraph Road Connector Environmental Study

Public Information Meeting

February 17, 2005

Mt. Vernon High School -Cafeteria

6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Presentation at 7 PM

This is an informal, open forum.

In attendance are representatives from:

- **Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)**
- **Fort Belvoir**
- **Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT)**
- **Fairfax County**

**Please provide us with your
comments and concerns!**

WHAT ARE THESE DISPLAYS?

Sources of Mapped Data:

- Geographic Information System (GIS)
- Fairfax County, 2004
- Fort Belvoir (Master Plan, Housing Plans, *Preliminary Feasibility Study*, and Integrated Resource Management plans, 2000-2004)
- USGS, FEMA, and NWI
- VDOT environmental and design documents

Aerial photographic base is 2001.

FHWA Team is using “available” data.

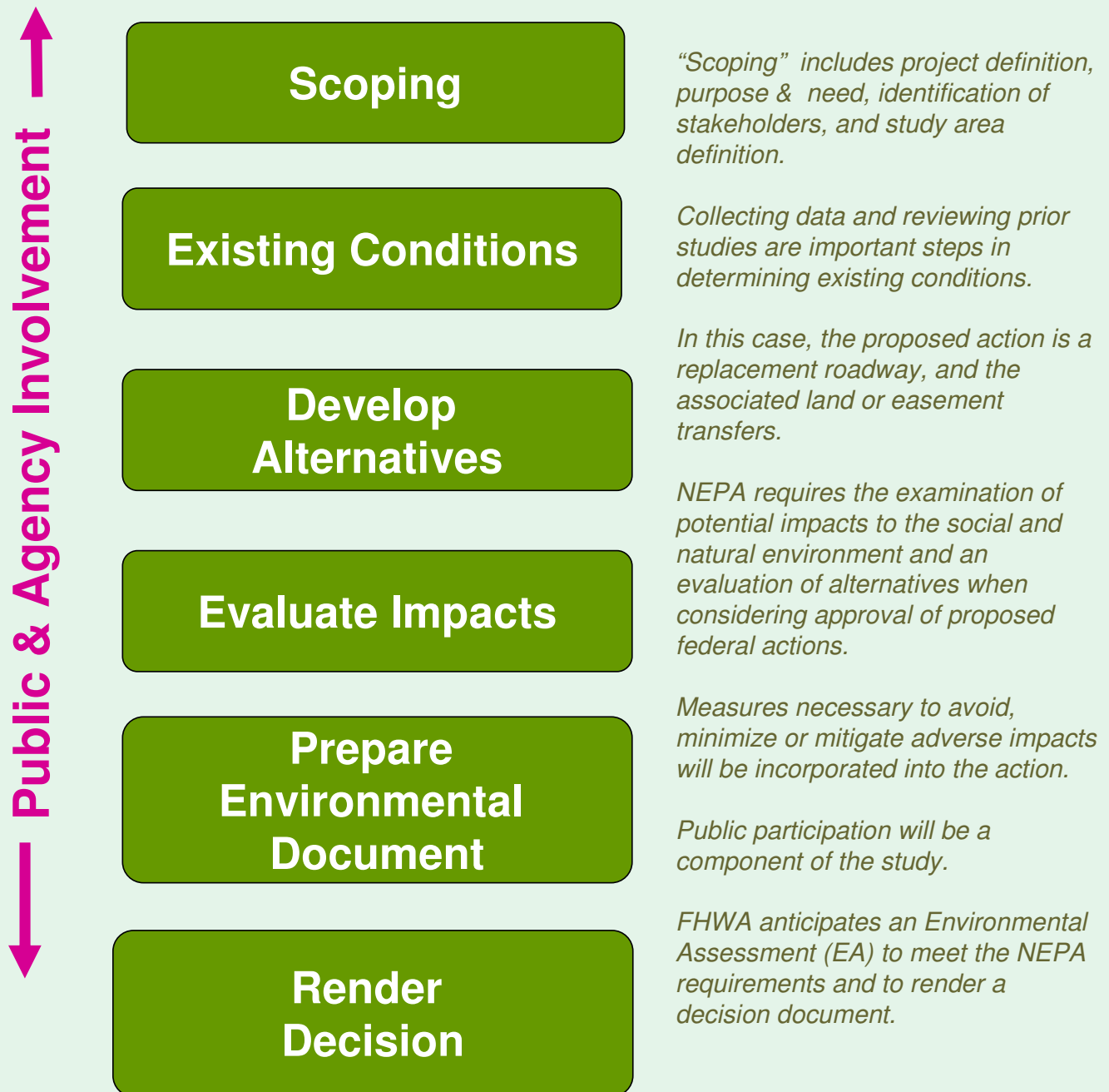
No field work has been conducted specific to this study. (For example, wetlands have not yet been delineated.)

Intent is to use multiple GIS layers to consider various, related environmental conditions.

All “alternatives” so far are corridors as presented in the *Preliminary Feasibility Study*.

WHAT IS THE NEPA PROCESS?

This environmental study is being undertaken in accordance with the **National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)** of 1969. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) will follow the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) *Regulations for Implementing the National Environmental Policy Act*, and its own established guidance and procedures, as well as other applicable laws, Executive Orders, and regulations.



EXAMPLE ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS

NEPA and FHWA guidelines require consideration of many natural, social, and physical environmental factors, in addition to costs, purpose & need, etc.

Access			
Aesthetics			
Affordable Housing			
Air Quality			
Archeological Sites	Geology	National Register Historic Sites	Soils
Agriculture	Groundwater	National Parks	Stormwater Management/Runoff
Aquifer Protection	Growth	National Forests	Stream Crossings
Battlefields/Monuments	Fairfax County	Noise	Topographic concerns
Bicycle Considerations	Fort Belvoir	Overlay Districts (County)	Traffic
Community Facilities	Habitat	Parks (County, State & Federal)	Trucks
Comprehensive Plans	Hazardous Facility Locations	Pedestrian Access	Tourism
Construction Impacts	Hazardous Waste Sites	Prime Farmlands	Tax Base
Construction Cost	Historic Sites	Quarries	Threatened & Endangered Species
Cultural Resources	Induced Economic Impacts	Railroads	Utility Corridors
Demographics	Infrastructure (lack of)	Recreation Areas	Utility Impacts
Development (Suitability)	Intersection Locations	Relocation Impacts	Visual Resources
Economics	Industry	Resource Protection Areas	Water Resources
Employment	Land Cover	Right-of-way	Water Supply
Emergency Response	Land Use- Existing	Security (military feature)	Water Quality
Energy	Land Use - Plans	Sediment & Erosion Control	Wells
Environmental Justice	Military Sites	Scenic Easements	Wetlands
Farming/Farmland	Mines	Schools	Wildlife Management Corridors
Financing	Minority Communities	Secondary Impacts	Wild & Scenic Rivers
Floodplains	Multi-modal facility	Socio-Economic Impacts	Zoning
Flora & Fauna Impacts			
Forest Lands			

*FHWA Richmond Highway – Telegraph Road Connector
Fairfax County, VA*

PROJECT SCHEDULE

NEPA PROCESS

Estimated Date

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|--------------------------------|------------------|
| ✓ NEPA Project Start-up | Oct. 2004 |
| ✓ Stakeholder Kick-off Meeting | Nov. 2004 |
| ✓ Agency Scoping Meeting | Jan. 2005 |
| ⇒ Public Information Meeting | Feb. 2005 |
| • NEPA Document | Late Summer 2005 |
| • Public Information Meeting | Late Summer 2005 |
| • Decision Document | Fall 2005 |

If a “build” alternative is selected under NEPA, then:

DESIGN	2006 – 2007
RIGHT-OF-WAY	2007 – 2008
PERMITS	2007 – 2008
CONSTRUCTION	2008 – 2009
OPEN	2009